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2017 – 2019 PSAR RETURN FUNDS

Allocation Request – Wilcox Reach-North Shoreline Protection (#16-1450)

Background: Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration (PSAR) funded projects may close short and funding returns to the regional organization, Puget Sound Partnership. According to Manual 18 policies, Lead Entities may request these funds to support an active project. The scope of work must be within the original scope of the project application reviewed by the SRFB Review Panel. Funding is expected to be spent down by December 2020.

Action Request: The Nisqually Land Trust's Wilcox Reach-North Shoreline Protection project requires additional funding to cover a higher than anticipated appraisal value for the property. The watershed's technical and citizen's committee have approved this project and this cost increase. The Lead Entity has no returned funds to apply to this cost increase. Puget Sound region staff have reviewed this request, and have determined that it meets the Return Funds policy and criteria.

This project cost increase request meets the following criteria:

- The project is on the watershed's most current work plan it has been reviewed and approved by the SRFB
- The Lead Entity and sponsor have submitted a detailed justification of the cost increase
- The project is considered highly time sensitive
- The cost increase request has the support of their lead entity technical and citizen committees

Request to RCO: Consistent with policy described in Manual 18 and respecting the time-sensitive nature of this project, the Puget Sound region is requesting that RCO authorize the Nisqually Indian Tribe's request in the **amount of \$41,761** to the Wilcox Reach-North Shoreline Protection for increased property appraisal value. The increase in funds and scope change will help ensure project completion and success.



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Thank you,

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